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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Tongtong Wang et al.
Application No. : 09/519,642
Filed : March 6, 2000
For : COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THERAPY
AND DIAGNOSIS OF LUNG CANCER

Examiner : Michael L. Borin
Art Unit : 1631
Docket No. : 210121.478C4
Date : September 3, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111 AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated March 25, 2002, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on September 25, 2002. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Abstract:

Please replace the original Abstract with the following rewritten Abstract:

Compositions for the therapy and diagnosis of cancer, such as lung cancer, are disclosed. Compositions may comprise cancer-associated L552S polypeptides, for example, as

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